The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met in Conference Room 109 located at 260 West Exchange Street, Providence RI on Tuesday, March 06, 2007 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Coutu, Vice Chairman Burlingame and Commissioners Richard, Newbrook, Preiss, Blackburn, Pearson and Filippi. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey and Assistant Administrative Officer Carol Marsella. The following cases were heard.

APPEAL #050151: Ms. Joyce Treml, for the property located at 41 Edendale Avenue, Providence. DSFM Cionfolo appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Filippi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant the Applicant a time variance of 120 days in which to make the necessary upgrades to the fire alarm system, and a time variance of 180 days to correct any remaining deficiencies in this facility. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #050195: Mr. Daniel Aubin, for the property located at 119 Kenyon Avenue, east Greenwich. ADSFM Susan Hawksley appeared for the East Greenwich Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Newbrook, to grant the Applicant's requested variance not to enclose the cited stairs, provided the doors are equipped with self-closing devices and further provided that a hand rail and draft stopping is provided in the cited stairway, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the East Greenwich Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060665: Mr. Felix Gill, for the property located at 1901 Post Road in Warwick. ADSFMs Peter Marietti and Arthur Lowe appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Burlingame recused himself from consideration of this case. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant the following relief. This facility is not required to have sprinklers in the basement, provided that the Applicant installs a twenty-minute door in the existing door jamb at the cited opening. The Applicant is granted a time variance of ninety (90) days to correct all the outstanding deficiencies at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Warwick Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #050798: Mr. Lucien Chevalier, for the property located at 99 Louise Street, Woonsocket. ADSFM Francis Dunton appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Newbrook, to approve the Applicant's plan of action for this facility, and to grant a time variance if 120 days in which to complete the required work. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060705: Mr. Jose Gaspar, for the property located at 226 St. Louis Avenue, Woonsocket. Capt. David Beaubien appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Newbrook, to grant the following relief. The Applicant is granted a time variance of 30 days

from the hearing date in which to present his plans for the installation of a sprinkler system to the AHJ, and an additional 120 days in which to install the system. The AHJ is granted the authority to extend that time variance for good faith efforts shown. The Applicant is required to reduce the occupancy of this facility to 290 people until the sprinkler system is installed and tested. The Applicant is granted a time variance of sixty (60) days to replace the cited fire suppression system cited in 4.5.8.1, with an extension by the AHJ for good cause shown. All other outstanding deficiencies shall be corrected within thirty (30) days. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060764: Forest Property Management for the eight (8) existing 12-unit apartments buildings located on Parkview Drive in Pawtucket. Captain McConaghy appeared for the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's office. It was determined that the Applicant would return to the Board on April 10, 2007 with a plan of action for the correction of the outstanding deficiencies in these facilities. No action was taken at this time.

APPEAL #070100: Mr. Edward Reall, for the property located at 300 Waterman Avenue, East Providence. Captain David Rave appeared for the East Providence Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Burlingame, to grant the Applicant a variance from the provisions of section 31.2.1.2 on the basis of structural hardship, and to grant the Applicant a time variance of 120 days to correct all outstanding deficiencies.

The AHJ is granted the authority to extend that time variance, if necessary, for good cause shown. The motion was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
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